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## **RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED APRIL 2, 2003**

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In response to the Office Action dated April 2, 2003, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of the above-identified application on the basis of the following remarks and the attached Declaration and exhibits, submitted herewith pursuant to 37 CFR §1.131.

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## **REMARKS**

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The pending claims in the application stand variously rejected under 35 U.S.C. §§102-103. To summarize, a first group of pending claims stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by Patent Application Publication No. 2002/00065713 ("Awada"); a